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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re: Colin Brown
Serial No.: 09/700,057
Filed: February 5, 2001
For: *SURGICAL COMPOSITIONS AND METHODS FOR USING
THE SAME*

Examiner: E. White
Art Unit: 1623

October 3, 2002

Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

AMENDMENT REPLACING THE
AMENDMENT SUBMITTED AUGUST 20, 2002

Sir:

This Amendment is responsive to the Office Action (the Action) mailed May 21, 2002 and replaces the Amendment previously submitted on August 20, 2002 in response to the Action mailed May 21, 2002. A petition for an extension of time is submitted concurrently herewith.

It is respectfully requested that this application be reconsidered in view of amendments and remarks set forth below. Attached hereto is a marked-up version of the changes made to the specification and the claims by the current amendment. The marked-up version of the changes is captioned "Version With Markings To Show Changes Made."

In the Specification:

Please replace the paragraph at page 1, line 21 through page 2, line 3 with the following replacement paragraph:

-- WO 92/21354 describes a surgical adhesion as the attachment of organs or tissues to each other through scar tissue. A formation of scar tissue is described as a normal sequel to surgery or other tissue injury and is required for proper wound healing. In some cases, however, the scar tissue overgrows the intended region and creates surgical adhesions. These scar tissue surgical adhesions restrict the normal mobility and function of affected